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This is a decision on the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) to revive the above-identified application, filed March 31, 2003.

The application became abandoned December 20, 1998 for failure to timely respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application ("Notice") mailed October 19, 1998. The Notice set a two (2) month period of time for reply. No extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136 were timely requested. Notice of Abandonment was mailed July 12, 1999. Petitions under 37 CFR 1.181 and 37 CFR 1.137(b) were filed June 14, 2001 and dismissed October 10, 2002.

The decision on petition mailed October 10, 2002 required a response within two (2) months. Accordingly, a response was due on or before December 10, 2002. As the instant renewed petition was not submitted until March 31, 2003 (certificate of mailing date of March 26, 2003), a four (4) month extension of time is required. The required four (4) month extension of time in the amount of \$1,450.00 has been charged to Deposit Account No. 20-0778 as authorized in the instant petition.

A grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) must be accompanied by: (1) the required reply, unless previously filed; (2) the petition fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m); (3) a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional; and (4) any terminal disclaimer (and fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.20(d)) required pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(c).

Petitioner has satisfied the statutory requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b). Accordingly, the instant petition to revive is hereby **GRANTED**.

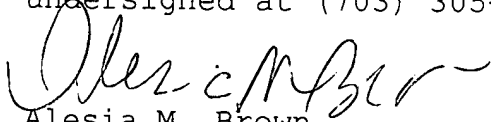
The revocation of power of attorney/appointment of new power of attorney and change of correspondence address submitted herewith have been entered into the record.

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This application is being forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-0310.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Alesia M. Brown", written in dark ink.

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